

work of the commission, and for actual expenses incurred in such service. The committee stood thus in the matter of reporting the amended bill. Ayres-Messrs. Keene, Bryant, Shands, Cromwell, Massie, Fulton and A. C. Harman.

Noes-Messrs. Gunter, Sears and Walker.

Mr. Shands explained that in voting to report the bill he reserved the right to amend or oppose it on the floor of the Senate.

Personnel of the Board.

The board, as it is proposed to constitute it, consists of men widely known in the State, and who have rendered valuable services in the House of Representatives. Dr. Frank Fletcher, of Accomac, was for years chairman of the State Board of Fisheries, and is conceded to be one of the best authorities on the oyster question in the State.

Hon. A. D. Watkins was a member of the Senate in the recent General Assembly, former member of the House, and former county judge. He is a member of the special joint committee appointed by the General Assembly to examine and report as to the needs of legislation. He is a member of the State Democratic Committee and a man of the intelligence and character.

Colonel C. Fenton Day, of Isle of Wight, is one of the best known men in Virginia, and is a Tidewater man. He is a gentleman of culture. Colonel Day is Senator Martin's father-in-law.

Hon. T. C. Pileger, of Fauquier, was for years a member of the House of Delegates, and is a man of rugged intellect and integrity, and widely known. He is thoroughly familiar with legislation, and in natural intelligence is the peer of any man in the State.

Hon. D. C. O'Flaherty is a member of the law firm of O'Flaherty and Fulton, having offices in Front Royal and Richmond. His partner is Senator M. J. Fulton, a member of the Senate Committee for Fisheries and Game. Mr. O'Flaherty was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1901-2.

The commission is regarded as a strong one, and if all its members consent to serve it will probably be confirmed by the Senate.

EXHIBIT OF RADIUM.

Dr. Catter Shows Sample and Gives Interesting Lecture.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ALEXANDRIA, Va., Feb. 25.—The announcement of a public exhibition of the new element in the natural sciences, "radium," has attracted a large and interested audience to the chemical laboratories of Radon, Macdon College to-night. Dr. H. Catter, professor of chemistry, had secured through Professor R. W. Wood, of Johns Hopkins University, specimens of "radium."

Members of the faculty and friends, together with the students, had the opportunity of seeing the peculiar behavior of this strange substance. In the form of this gas, it is enclosed within a thin glass plate, it looked like any ordinary white powder. When the lights in the room were extinguished, the radium gave out a soft, white light, and when examined under the microscope, it seemed to possess the same blue and green light with great rapidity. Day after day this element seems to emit its peculiar silver white rays, with no other effect than to produce a faint, bluish glow in the laboratory, but to the majority of those present it suggested a mass of living, moving light.

Dr. Catter explained the discovery of "radium," and its uses as the "new element" in the field of science. When he mentioned the value at several hundred thousand dollars a pound, the audience's interest was excited. He explained the great difficulty of obtaining it, and showed that it seems to be a grave danger to the health of some long accepted theories in science.

The subject was not treated from a medical point of view, but as being connected with the scientific purposes. Dr. Catter's explanation of the discovery of "radium," and its uses as the "new element" in the field of science. When he mentioned the value at several hundred thousand dollars a pound, the audience's interest was excited. He explained the great difficulty of obtaining it, and showed that it seems to be a grave danger to the health of some long accepted theories in science.

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MAY REMOVE TOBACCO TAX

Revenue Commissioner Says He Sees No Reason Against It.

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DISTRESS IN THE BLACK BELT

Abolition of Tax, It Is Thought, Would Benefit the Growers.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—At a hearing today before the House Committee on Ways and Means, Internal Revenue Commissioner Yerkes said he saw no reason why relief should not be extended to the tobacco growers of the South by removing the tax of six cents a pound on leaf tobacco. This would allow the grower to sell his product to a merchant or any one else, although Mr. Yerkes said that the tobacco should be sold to a manufacturer, who should be charged, his proposition is contained in a pending bill introduced by Representative Hopkins, of Tennessee.

F. M. Flach, of Hopkinsville, Ky., representing the Washington Tobacco Growers' Association, said that there was great distress in the "black tobacco belt" of Kentucky, where 140,000,000 pounds of tobacco was produced annually. From 80 to 90 per cent. of this tobacco was exported, he was stated, but there seemed to be a combination among the foreign buyers which kept the price very low. If the internal revenue tax was removed it would develop a domestic market for this tobacco, it was believed.

HONORS ARE DIVIDED.

First and Second Choice Divide at New Orleans.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 25.—First and second choice divide the honors of today's racing. 8 races, Anchu and Martiana were beaten favorites. Summary:

First race—one mile, selling—North Wind (4 to 1) first, Prineel (3 to 1) second, Out Laid (7 to 2) third. Time 1:31.34.

Second race—six furlongs—Wreath of Ivy (3 to 2) first, Cyrenne (1 to 2) second, Out Laid (7 to 2) third. Time 1:31.34.

Third race—six furlongs—Inquisitive Girl (6 to 1) first, Saddler (8 to 1) second, Martiana (7 to 5) third. Time 1:31.45.

Fourth race—one mile and seventy yards—Prineel (5 to 1) first, Count Elin (4 to 1) second, Vides (8 to 1) third. Time 1:31.35.

Fifth race—one mile—Jelcie (1 to 2) first, Arach (4 to 1) second, Safe Guard (6 to 1) third. Time 1:31.35.

Throw Up the Sponge.

(By Associated Press.)

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 25.—In a six-round bout to-night between Jack Bolan, of Cincinnati, and Conny Cunningham, of Cleveland, Bolan was the victor. The fight was a close one, but Bolan's superior boxing and endurance won out in the end. Cunningham's second threw up the sponge.

RECEIVED BY POPE IN CORDIAL MANNER

Pontiff Expresses Admiration of Pluck Displayed by People of Baltimore.

(By Associated Press.)

ROME, Feb. 25.—The Pope today received in private audience the Most Rev. John M. Farley, archbishop of New York, and conversed with him for a long time in the most cordial manner. Archbishop Farley presented a letter from Cardinal Gibbons, thanking the Pope in the name of the trustees of the Catholic University at Washington, for the letter issued immediately after he was created Pope, endorsing the resolution of the trustees to have general collections in the United States for the benefit of the university. The first collection having totaled \$100,000.

The Pope was most pleased to hear of the progress made by the university, expressed the greatest sympathy with the people of Baltimore, and said he was glad the fire had been confined to the business section of the city. The Pontiff also referred with admiration to the report he had received that Baltimore would rebuild the destroyed district without outside help, and exclaimed:

"It is the true American spirit. You do everything on a grand scale even in the case of fires."

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TRAVELING AUDITOR

Bill Proposing to Create Such an Officer to Supervise State Officials.

IT WILL SOON BE OFFERED

Practically Same Measure Offered by Mr. Glass Some Years Ago in the Senate.

One of the interesting bills, shortly to be offered in the Legislative Assembly for its object the creating of the office of traveling auditor for the State and from what can be learned among the knowing ones of the body, it is likely to become law.

It will be recalled that such a bill was offered in the session of 1890-1891 by Senator Carter Glass, of Lynchburg. The bill went through the Senate, but was defeated in the House.

The gentleman who proposes to offer the bill now does not care for his name to be used at this time, but he has his plans pretty well in shape, and the measure will be in the hands of the Legislature in a few days.

A group of gentlemen, prominent in legislative circles, were discussing the measure at the Powhatan last night, and they expressed the belief that it would go through the House now, and that great many members of the body who opposed it four years ago would vote for its adoption, because they believed the time was now ripe for this departure. The bill will provide for a traveling auditor at a good salary and for a number of competent deputies who will be directly under the supervision of the chief.

BILL UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

Rolling Stock Taxation Plan So Declared by Committee.

The Committee for Courts of Justice of the House last night, after two long sessions, declared the Catton-Churchman rolling stock bill unconstitutional by a vote of 8 to 4.

The bill now goes back to the House, and it is believed that the Committee will report adversely in view of the action of the Committee for Courts.

One member of the Committee for Courts was absent, but he sent word that if he were present he would vote with the majority.

The bill was opposed yesterday in strong speeches by Messrs. Davis and Lassiter, of Petersburg, and City Attorney Henry R. Pollard, of Richmond. Colonel Catton, of Alexandria, one of the joint patrons, spoke for its passage at some length, and the vote was taken with the result given above.

The bill contemplates distributing the tax on the rolling stock of railway companies among the counties through which the roads run, instead of taxing it all in the cities where the roads are domiciled.

The railroads are said to favor the bill on account of the low rate of taxation in the counties, and the counties, having the roads running naturally favor it. The cities are fighting it vigorously.

CHILD INSURANCE.

Mr. Sale Offers Bill in Senate to Prevent It.

Senator W. W. Sale, of Norfolk city, offered in the Senate yesterday a bill prohibiting the insurance of persons under the age of twelve years. The measure reads as follows:

"Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia, That no insurance company doing business in this State shall issue a policy on the life of any person under the age of twelve years.

"Any person or company violating the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not less than \$5 nor more than \$500."

It is claimed that to allow the insurance of the lives of children is a crime among the lower classes. The bill was referred to the Committee on General Laws.

EXTENSION OF SESSION.

Volume of Business Now Points to Necessity for It.

With eighteen new bills offered in the Senate today, and no sign of abatement or diminution of them in the next week the General Assembly is piling up work to be done after the adjournment. The Senate had to hold two long sessions yesterday to reduce the formal calendar, which consisted of 91 bills. The Senate is already on the calendar of the two houses, or in committee, sufficient bills of great importance to keep both houses busy for several weeks. It is expected that the session will be extended for thirty days additional with the consent of three-fifths of the members of both houses. Many are opposed to such an extension, but it is believed that the subject will soon force itself upon the members of both houses.

TO PROTECT CHILDREN.

Senator Sale Proposes to Prohibit Insuring Their Lives.

Among the interesting bills offered yesterday was that of Senator Sale, prohibiting the insurance of persons under twelve years of age. The purpose of the bill is to protect the children of the State from the influence of the insurance companies, and to prevent the insurance of their lives by their parents or guardians. The bill is expected to pass the Senate, but it is likely to be defeated in the House.

THE SICK SENATORS.

Capt. Patterson and Mr. Thomas Both Improved.

Information from the hospital where Senator Camm Patterson lies ill was last night to the effect that he is improving, and is on the way to recovery. He was seriously threatened with pneumonia, but heroic treatment averted the disease.

A letter received from Senator A. F. Thomas, who is ill at his home near Lynchburg, conveys information that he is now well enough to be up, but is not yet able to be out. His illness prevented his being present to take part in the debate on the Anderson bill to repair and enlarge the Capitol, and to push his bill in relation to the public schools. It is believed that he will be able to return to the Capitol in a few days.

Judge Rives Here.

Ex-Judge Timothy Rives, of the County Court of Prince George, is in the city today, and is stopping at the Powhatan.

He is in the language of a great lawyer, and is a member of the bar. He is a former judge and member of the county court, and is a man of great ability and energy. He is expected to be a valuable addition to the legal community of the city.

Mr. Bader Here.

Mr. J. H. Bader, former superintendent of schools of 8 years, is in the city today, and is stopping at the Powhatan.

He is a man of great ability and energy, and is a member of the bar. He is a former superintendent of schools, and is a man of great experience and knowledge. He is expected to be a valuable addition to the educational community of the city.

Dr. Holt a Visitor.

Among the visitors in the city yesterday was Dr. M. Q. Holt, a former member of the Legislature and of the House of Delegates. He is a man of great ability and energy, and is a member of the bar. He is a former member of the Legislature, and is a man of great experience and knowledge. He is expected to be a valuable addition to the legal community of the city.

Senator J. C. Byrns, of Bristol, is for William H. Hearst, of New York, in the contest for the Presidency. He is a man of great ability and energy, and is a member of the bar. He is a former member of the Legislature, and is a man of great experience and knowledge. He is expected to be a valuable addition to the legal community of the city.

Bill in Senate.

Mr. Barkeley, of Halifax, yesterday introduced in the Senate an identical copy of the bill in relation to the maintenance of the State roads, which was introduced in the House yesterday. The bill is expected to pass the Senate, but it is likely to be defeated in the House.

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